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C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN NEW YORK 00737

E.O. 11652:GDS  
TAGS: PARM, OX, UN  
SUBJECT: BRIEFING OF UN AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE INDIAN  
OCEAN

REF: STATE 046020

1. US AND SOVIET MISSIONS COORDINATED THEIR BRIEFINGS  
FOR THE UN AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE INDIAN OCEAN ON BASIS  
OF JOINT US/SOVIET STATEMENT PROVIDED PARA 2 REFTEL.  
AMB LEONARD MET WITH NEW SRI LANKAN PERMREP FERNANDO AND  
DEPUTY PERMREP FONSEKA ON MARCH 1 IN THE AFTERNOON.  
AMB FOKINE OF THE SOVIET MISSION BRIEFED THE SAME INDI-  
VIDUALS THAT MORNING. AS ON PREVIOUS OCCASSIONS FOKINE  
READ THE TRANSLATION OF THE SOVIET TEXT, BUT DID NOT  
HAND OVER ANY PAPER TO SRI LANKAN REPS.

2. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT AMB AMERASINGHE, CURRENTLY  
CHAIRMAN OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE, IS DUE TO LEAVE NEW  
YORK IN MID-MARCH. FERNANDO WILL BECOME THE NEW CHAIRMAN  
OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE AT ITS NEXT MEETING. NEVERTHE-  
LESS, FOKINE AND LEONARD INTEND ALSO TO BRIEF AMERASINGHE  
AS PER THE AGREEMENT REACHED IN BERN.

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3. AFTER PRESENTING THE JOINT STATEMENT, LEONARD ALSO  
DREW ON POINTS IN PARAS 3 AND 4 OF REFTEL IN PROVIDING  
FURTHER ASSESSMENT OF THE INDIAN OCEAN TALKS. IN COMMEN-  
TING ON THIS PRESENTATION, FONSEKA SAID THAT FOKINE ALSO  
HAD REFERRED TO THE US POSITION ON "LINKAGE" BETWEEN THE  
HORN OF AFRICA ISSUE AND THE INDIAN OCEAN TALKS. FONSEKA

SAID FOKINE HAD MADE CLEAR SOVIET DISAGREEMENT WITH US  
VIEW.

4. FONSEKA ALSO INFORMED US THAT THE UN INDIAN OCEAN AD  
HOC COMMITTEE PROBABLY WILL MEET IN NEW YORK ON OR ABOUT  
APRIL 25-26 -- I.E., BETWEEN PREPCOM V AND THE SPECIAL  
SESSION ON DISARMAMENT. YOUNG

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